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Paris, March 23, *N. S.*

THE Dutcheſs of Luxembourg is brought to Bed of a Daughter. On the 11th Inſtant there was a Funeral Service performed in the Church of the Fathers de Nazaret, for the Repoſe of the Soul of the late Duke de Sully. The Abbot Boutard, Commander of the Order of St. Lazare, Penſionary of the Royal Academy of Inſcriptions and Belles Lettres, Abbot of Boiſgroland in the Dioceſe of Suyon, and Prior of Chateau Renard, is dead. On the 13th Inſtant M. de Montholon Firſt Preſident of the Parliament of Metz, and M. de Gaubert Firſt Preſident of the Parliament of Pau, took the Oaths of Fidelity to his moſt Chriſtian Majeſty at Verſailles. On the 15th the Count d'Avejan, Captain-Lieutenant of the firſt Troop of Mouſquetaires, was received by the King at the Head of that Troop. M. Pelletier, the Comptroller-General, was received the 17th Inſtant by the Parliament as Governour of Gien.

Hague, March 25. The Deputies of the ſeveral Admiralties in theſe Provinces had a Conference on the 22d Inſtant with the States General, and made a Report of the State of the Navy, and agreed on the Number of Ships to be employed for the Service of this Year; as alſo on the fitting out of the Dutch Squadron to be ſent in the Month of May to the Mediterranean, which 'tis ſaid will conſiſt of Seven or Eight Ships. The Directors of the Dutch Eaſt India Company have agreed on a Dividend of 25 per Cent. on their Stock, and to begin the Payment of it on the Second of May. The States General have ordered a new Lottery to be made for this Year, of Two Millions and Five Hundred and Thirty Thouſand Florins, of 80 Florins a Ticket, to be divided into Five Claſſes; to be paid in, the Two Firſt 10 Florins each, the Third 15, the Fourth 20, and the Fifth 25 Florins. The Drawing of it is to begin here on the 7th of June next. This Morning five Malefactors, found guilty of diſcovering the Secrets of the Republick to Foreigners, and ſelling Copies of the Reſolutions and Diſpatches of the States, received their Sentences, viz. Mr. Hamelonſe, who was Clerk in the States Secretary's Office, and Mr. Tromer, Clerk of the Province of Overyſſel, were carried to a Scaffold built for that Purpoſe in the Square near the Priſon, and being made to kneel down, their Hands bound, the Hangman paſſed a large Scimitar over their Heads; they are to remain in Priſon for Ten Years, and their Eſtates are forfeited. Weſſen, the Keeper of the Houſe here belonging to the Deputies of Leyden, was alſo carried up the Scaffold and declared infamous. Scaremberg, an Advocate, and Linde, an Attorney, who were concerned with the others in their Crimes, have been baniſhed their Country for Life.

St. James's, March 17.

This Day Monſieur Platen de Linn, Reſident from the Elector Palatine, had his firſt private Audience of His Majeſty, to deliver his Credential Letters; to which he was introduced by the Right Honourable the Lord Viſcount Townſhend one of His Majeſty's Principal Secretaries of State, and conducted by Sir Clement Cottrell, Kt. Maſter of the Ceremonies.

He had afterwards a private Audience of Her Majeſty, to which he was introduced by the Right Honourable the Earl of Grantham, Her Majeſty's Lord Chamberlain, and conducted by the Maſter of the Ceremonies.

Treaſury-Chambers, March 6, 1728-9.

His Majeſty being moſt graciouſly pleaſed to order, that Farthings and Half-Pence ſhall be coined of the fineſt Britiſh Copper, as near the intrinſick Value as may be, and that any Profit which may accrue thereupon ſhall be paid into the Exchequer for publick Uſes. The Right Honourable the Lords Commiſſioners of His Majeſty's Treaſury give Notice, that any Perſons who are willing to ſupply His Majeſty's Mint in the Tower with a Quantity of Britiſh Copper, not exceeding 40 Tuns per Annum in Bars, nealed and of ſuch a Fineneſs as to ſpread thin under the Hammer, when heated red hot, without cracking, and of a due Size and Thickneſs, according to Patterns to be ſeen at the ſaid Mint, may give in Propoſals, ſealed up, to their Lordſhips Secretaries, or either of them, at any Time on or before Monday the 24th Day of March Inſtant, at what Rates and Prices they will ſupply the ſaid Mint with ſuch Copper, to be paid one half of the Price of ſuch Copper in Money upon the Importation thereof, and the other half in Money and Sciſſell together, reckoning the ſaid Sciſſell at the ſame Price with the Copper imported.

Wine-Licence-Office, March 15. 1728.

His Majeſty's Commiſſioners for managing the Duty ariſing from Wine Licences give Notice, that conſtant Attendance is given at their Office in Surry Street in the Strand, for the Diſpatch of the Buſineſs thereof, on Tueſdays, Wedneſdays, Thurſdays and Fridays in the Forenoon, Holidays excepted. And whereas His Majeſty's ſaid Commiſſioners for managing the ſaid Revenue have received certain Information of divers Perſons preſuming to retail Wine without Licence, and to whom Letters have been ſent advertiſing them of the Penalties incurred thereby; theſe are alſo to give Notice, that unleſs ſuch Perſons do ſpeedily apply themſelves to the Commiſſioners, the Laws in ſuch Caſes made and provided will be forthwith put in Execution.

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